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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Walsh et al.	Confirmation No.:	7095
Appl. No.:	09/689,430	Group Art Unit:	1632
Filed:	October 12, 2000	Examiner:	Q. Li
For:	ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUS VECTORS ENCODING FACTOR VIII AND METHODS OF USING THE SAME		

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2002, and the telephone interview with the Examiner on March 7, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 78 and 89 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Please amend claims 1, 9, 12, 18, 58-65, 68, 73-77, 79-80, and 82 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A recombinant adeno-associated virus (rAAV) vector comprising a heterologous nucleotide sequence encoding B-domain deleted factor VIII operably linked with at least one enhancer and an AAV ITR, wherein the only promoter driving expression of said B-domain deleted factor VIII is the AAV ITR.